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SUSPICIONS?

Are all the main characters in the CIA's bizarre plots to assassinate Fidel Castro in the early '60s dead?

Most, but not all. Mobsters John Roselli and Sam "Momo" Giancana were murdered a few years ago; Roselli was found floating in Miami's Biscayne Bay, Giancana was shot in his suburban Chicago home, and their killers have not been found. Of course Robert Kennedy, who as attorney general was in charge of the plots, is dead, as is one of the chief CIA officers who coordinated the bungled attempts. The principal survivor is Santo Trafficante, reputed Mafia boss of the Tampa area and former casino boss in Havana. Trafficante made a rare public appearance before the House assassinations committee where he explained his involvement —like that of Roselli and Giancana—was for patriotic reasons.

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